

New procedures have been developed regarding the Good Faith Effort for DBE goals.

The procedures can be found at the following link: [GOOD FAITH EFFORT PROCEDURE](#)

JUNE 13, 2013 BID LETTING

101 - CHECKERBOARD MARTINSDALE-EAST

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Submitted: Thu, 16-May-2013 14:28 MDT
Company: Allied Steel
Contact: Pat Southworth

Question:

On previous projects you have allowed bidding of Prefabricated Superstructure options. Will you allow alternate superstructure options on this project?

Answer:

~~Submitted: Fri, 17-May-2013 08:37 MDT~~

~~Provisions for alternate superstructure options are not included in this contract. The contractor may elect to submit a Value Engineering proposal with an alternate superstructure option for consideration per specification subsection 104.08.~~

Updated Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 21-May-2013 15:22 MDT
Bidding of Prefabricated Superstructure options will be allowed. The linked Special Provision - Prefabricated Superstructure Option is hereby added to this contract. [PREFABRICATED SUPERSTRUCTURE OPTION](#)

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Submitted: Mon, 20-May-2013 11:03 MDT
Company: JCT Construction
Contact: Oscar

Question:

Where are the seeding special provisions?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 20-May-2013 12:20 MDT

The Seeding Special Provisions can be found at the following link: [SEEDING SPECIAL](#)

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Submitted: Thu, 06-Jun-2013 16:56 MDT
Company: Cretex Concrete Products
Contact: Mike Pardy

Question:

Section 48 of the proposal Specifies a Maximum W/C Ratio of .40 which is extremely Conservative, .45 is more in line with recommendations from PCI and other national standards. Will you revise the specification to require a Maximum W/C Ratio of .45

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 11-Jun-2013 11:28 MDT

No. The 0.40 W/CM ratio is required. The 0.40 W/CM ratio is based on ACI and PCA recommendations for sulfate exposure in the "very severe" category. It may be a little conservative if the soils contain less than 2% sulfate by mass, but necessary.

102 - DRUMMOND-E & W (TIED)

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Clarification:

Submitted: Fri, 31-May-2013 9:10 MDT

A modification to plan sheet E 7 has been made and the plan sheet is linked below. The empty 2" conduits from the proposed cabinet to the existing scale pit have been modified to run directly to the cabinet thereby avoiding the pull box. On sheet E7, conduit run D has been separated into D1 and D2. The revised plan sheet can be downloaded at the following link: [REVISED ELECTRICAL PLAN SHEET E7](#)

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 12:50 MDT

Sheet E6 has been revised to show the conduit routing from the cabinet to the pit. Revised Sheet E6 can be found at the following link: [REVISED PLAN SHEET E6](#)

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Submitted: Wed, 29-May-2013 12:47 MDT

Company: Pavement Maintenance Solutions, Inc.

Contact: Chris Rasmussen

Question:

Will the Department consider substituting Type 1 Cover Material for the Type 2 Cover Material on this project.

Type 1 Cover Material is commercially available in the area and should provide a substantial saving to the Department.

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 3-Jun-2013 10:18MDT

No, Type 2 Cover Material will be used on this project.

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Submitted: Wed, 29-May-2013 13:41 MDT

Company: Knife River

Contact: Kurtis Paulson
Question:
Will the department consider changing the project to a flex time contract with a notice to proceed of August 19?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 3-Jun-2013 10:27MDT

The Notice to Proceed will not be changed to Flex Time on this contract.

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Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 14:11 MDT
Company: Sletten Construction Company
Contact: Chad Mares

Question:

Would it be permissible to have the modified concrete overlay concrete delivered in 8 CY loads? Also, the suppliers are requesting to add Delvoe to the concrete in order to accommodate the 1.25 hour haul time. Is that also acceptable?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 13:35 MDT

Eight cubic yard loads are acceptable, however, it is advisable to limit load sizes to reduce "balling" of concrete containing silica fume. Reduce concrete batch sizes if evidence of "balling" or inconsistency occurs between trucks. Six cubic yard loads of Silica-Fume Modified-Overlay material have provided satisfactory results on previous MDT projects.

Admixtures, including Delvo, may be submitted in the mix design for approval. See standard specification 551.03.2(A) (6) (a).

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Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 14:18 MDT
Company: Sletten Construction Company
Contact: Chad Mares

Question:

On sheet B2 in the plans it states to replace Pier 2 and Bent 5 expansion joints on the Clark Fork structure. I believe it should be replace Pier 3 and Bent 5 expansion joints.

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 07-Jun-2013 10:50 MDT

Correct. Sheet B2 should state to replace the Pier No. 3 and Bent No. 5 expansion joints on the Clark Fork structure.

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Submitted: Fri, 07-Jun-2013 09:47 MDT
Company: Nelcon, Inc
Contact: Nelcon, Inc.

Question:

With respect to contract time please consider the following:

Bid date - 06-13-13 - 10 days for Award/Contracts, 5 days mob crusher, 5 days setup crusher, 5 days

crush for initial targets, 7 days for private engineer mix design and 30 days MDT review - the soonest paving could start is around Sept 9, 2014. The Department needs to consider changing this project with Flex Time to mid Sept, 2014 at a minimum.

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 07-Jun-2013 10:52 MDT

MDT will not consider a flex time NTP for this contract.

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Submitted: Fri, 07-Jun-2013 14:41 MDT

Company: LS Jensen Construction & Ready Mix

Contact: Jared Lockyer

Question:

What are the material requirements for the bridge end backfill?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 13:33 MDT

Bridge End Backfill to consist of A-1-a material with maximum size of 4" and a maximum of 8% (by weight) passing the #200 sieve.

103 - LEBO CREEK-N & S

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Clarification:

Submitted: Fri, 17-May-2013 9:55 MDT

Attached are PDF Files of the available project alignment and/or structures geotechnical report(s), geotechnical report supplements, and geotechnical laboratory summaries. There is remaining geotechnical information that is voluminous and very difficult to compile in a concise manner.

Contractors are welcome to come to MDT Headquarters to inspect soil and/or rock samples taken for the project that are stored here or to look through the complete set of Geotechnical field investigation notes, laboratory testing, analytical, or other data in our project files.

It should be noted that the project may have undergone significant changes during the design process after the original geotechnical report and supplements were issued. Thus, some of the information contained in these documents may be out of date or not applicable with regard to the advertised project. Some of the changes include, but are not limited to: Project splits (for funding, ROW issues, etc.); alignment and grade changes; and changes due to environmental factors (sensitive areas, etc.).

The documents can be found at: [GEOTECH REPORTS](#)

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Submitted: Thu, 16-May-2013 14:28 MDT

Company: Allied Steel
Contact: Pat Southworth
Question:

On previous projects you have allowed bidding of Prefabricated Superstructure options. Will you allow alternate superstructure options on this project?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 21-May-2013 11:25 MDT

Bidding of Prefabricated Superstructure options will be allowed. The linked Special Provision - Prefabricated Superstructure Option is hereby added to this contract. [PREFABRICATED SUPERSTRUCTURE OPTION](#)

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Submitted: Tue, 21-May-2013 13:55 MDT
Company: Sletten Construction
Contact: Russ Robertson
Question:

FYI - Sheet B4 says 'PRELIMINARY' on it.

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 21-May-2013 14:58 MDT

It was inadvertently left on the plan sheet. Ignore the "Preliminary" stamp.

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Submitted: Thu, 23-May-2013 12:01 MDT
Company: Quarter Circle R Fencing
Contact: Roddy Watson
Question:

The special design of the single and double panels out of 4" galvanized calls for 9.10 lb./ft.

(which needs to be domestic). Would a 4" DQ-40 or SS40 domestic be allowed?

The weight of this is

6.56 lbs/ft and is said to be stronger than the schedule 40. Also is there a need for the truss rods

since the horizontal rail will be welded. Since these will need to be built on site due to elevation

changes between posts that changes the angle of the cope to be welded, who is responsible for the fire

danger. Does the prime's OCP policy cover that?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 24-May-2013 13:33 MDT

Revised: Fri, 07-Jun-2013 9:03 MDT

The special design of the single and double panels out of 4" galvanized calls for 9.10 lb./ft. (which needs to

be domestic). Would a 4" DQ-40 or SS40 domestic be allowed? The weight of this is 6.56 lbs/ft and is said to

be stronger than the schedule 40. ~~No~~. Yes, this would be an acceptable alternative as long as it meets 50,000 psi minimum yield strength.

Also is there a need for the truss rods since the horizontal rail will be welded. Yes.

Since these will need to be built on site due to elevation changes between posts that changes the angle of the

cope to be welded, who is responsible for the fire danger. The contractor performing the work in question.

Does the prime's OCP policy cover that? The prime contractor would need to be asked this question.

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Submitted: Wed, 29-May-2013 15:19 MDT

Company: 3 Bull Contracting LLC

Contact: Kelsey Allen

Question:

Could you please post the ROW agreements as designated in the fencing summary?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 31-May-2013 13:50 MDT

The Right of Way Agreements can be found at the following link: [ROW AGREEMENT](#)

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Submitted: Thu, 30-May-2013 09:03 MDT

Company: 3 Bull Contracting LLC

Contact: Kelsey Allen

Question:

Where do I find Specs on the special design single and double farm panels?

Answer:

Submitted: Thu, 30-May-2013 14:32 MDT

A detail for the special design farm panels can be found at the following link: [METAL POST PANEL](#)

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Submitted: Thu, 30-May-2013 20:40 MDT

Company: Quarter Circle R Fencing

Contact: Roddy Watson

Question:

What is the specs on the bull gate? I see the salvage of the existing fence goes to the landowner. Is this material need to be removed so they can reuse it or is it basically for scrap iron. Is delivery and stacking it on the landowners place required? Is the temporary fence to be woven wire or barb wire? What is the special wire spacing?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 10:02 MDT

- 1) The Bull Gate is to be a Type G-3 metal gate.
- 2) The material is to be salvaged for reuse.
- 3) The salvaged material is to be stacked and placed on the landowners property adjacent to the work.
- 4) Use a barbed Type F3M for all areas that require temporary fence, except for parcel 9 use a sheep-tight woven wire and barb wire.
- 5) If special wire spacing is required the details are shown in the R/W agreements.

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Submitted: Fri, 31-May-2013 14:46 MDT
Company: Quarter Circle R Fencing
Contact: Roddy Watson
Question:

I have read the ROW agreement that has answered some of my questions. It does say 4" chain link posts in the agreement and that is the pipe I referred to in my earlier question which I was told couldn't be used. Also the detailed drawing calls for 3'6" of post in the ground and the summary says 4'? Also are gate posts that require a latch required to be capped? North of Harlo they were not capped and the truss rods are a different design?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 03-Jun-2013 15:00 MDT

The Special Design Farm Fence Panels are to be constructed in accordance with the detail provided for in question #5. All posts are to be capped.

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Submitted: Mon, 03-Jun-2013 10:05 MDT
Company: Riverside Contracting Inc
Contact: Dennis Devous
Question:

The Special Borrow requirement is for four inch minus material with less than 7% passing the 200M and According to the Pit report provided by the Department the gravel is 5 inch minus rather than 4 inch minus. Can the Department change this to 5 inch minus so we don't have to process the Special Borrow?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 3Jun-2013 12:30 MDT

Special Provision 27 - Embankment Foundation Treatment is hereby revised as follows:

Please replace (SP 27.B.2) with the following:

Provide Special Borrow meeting the AASHTO classification for A-1-a(0) material with a maximum of seven percent by weight passing the no.200 sieve. Provide material with a maximum size of 5 inches. Crushed Aggregate Course is also acceptable for Special Borrow.

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Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 15:58 MDT
Company: Montana Civil Contractors Inc.
Contact: Bob Koch
Question:

Can you provide the specifications & the measurement & payment for Bid Item:203 080 127 TOPSOIL-PLACE
1,875 CY?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 05-Jun-2013 11:13 MDT

The specifications for topsoil are covered in subsection 713.05 of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction. Topsoil will be measured and paid for by the cubic yard in place.

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Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 16:28 MDT

Company: Quarter Circle R Fencing

Contact: Roddy Watson

Question:

In the sixth agreement, sta 425+30 to sta 437+75 calls for 36" woven wire. Woven wire comes in 42", 39", and 32". What will be used in that stretch of fence? If 39" is used the barb wire spacings cannot be used either.

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 11-Jun-2013 14:10 MDT

Bid the project to use 36" woven wire or as close to 36" as possible. If the Project Manager determines 36" is not available a substitution and price adjustment (if necessary) will be made at that time.

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Submitted: Wed, 05-Jun-2013 08:35 MDT

Company: Montana Civil Contractors Inc.

Contact: Bob Koch

Question:

If new culverts are installed after or during when the present travelled way is disturbed, will we be required to replace the bituminous surfacing over the culvert area within 48 hrs?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 05-Jun-2013 16:35 MDT

Please see Standard Specification 603.03.5.

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Submitted: Wed, 05-Jun-2013 08:39 MDT

Company: Nelcon, Inc.

Contact: Sam Weyers

Question:

With known aggregate problems in the area, will the Department consider adding a bid option for PG70-28 oil if the mix design should require it in order to pass the Hamburg tests?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 05-Jun-2013 11:11 MDT

MDT will not add a PG70-28 bid option for this project.

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Submitted: Fri, 07-Jun-2013 14:09 MDT

Company: Riverside Contracting, Inc.

Contact: Dwayne Rehbein

Question:

Special Provision 28 allows the blending of CAC and RAP materials.

Subsection B state to "Furnish recycled or crushed aggregate course that, when blended with the virgin aggregates, meet the requirements of Subsection ...

701.02.4" I think it would be very difficult for the Contractor to provide a finished product that meets the gradation

specification, because the RAP gradations are unknown and will vary. Can the Special Provision be modified to specify only the virgin aggregate must meet, 701.02.4? If not, will the State be performing extracted gradations to remove the oil?

Answer:

Submitted: Wed, 12-Jun-2013 11:00 MDT

No, the Department will not be performing extracted gradations. Any RAP/Millings must be processed in a manner as such that when blended with virgin aggregate the combination meets the applicable gradation.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 07:30 MDT

Company: Cretex Concrete Products

Contact: Mike Pardy

Question:

Plan sheet 12 of 26 shows an 11x5 Box Culvert.

Plan sheet 13 of 26 shows an uncoated steel pipe for the same station as the Box Culvert. There is no bid item for a steel pipe alternate in the proposal.

At this station there is a special provision requirement for a low .45 W/C Ratio for the concrete box due to sulphate levels at the site. It appears the uncoated steel pipe shown on the plan sheet should have been removed from the plans during review due to the highly corrosive sulphate soil conditions. Please confirm.

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 11-Jun-2013 11:31 MDT

The corrugated steel pipe arch (CSPA) is an option for the pipe at Station 467+59. Please note that this pipe is coated. If the steel option is used, it is still paid for under the bid item 603013297 - Rein Conc Box 11 x 5.

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Submitted: Sun, 09-Jun-2013 12:34 MDT

Company: Quarter Circle R fencing

Contact: Roddy Watson

Question:

On the removal of the existing fence for reuse, does that mean removing each individual stay and rolling up each wire to be able to be reused? What type of gate closure will be accepted if all gate posts need to have a domed cap? Will 32" ww be accepted instead of the 36" woven wire between sta. 425+30- Sta. 437+75? Can the 3/8" truss rods and turnbuckles be eliminated on the special design panels since they add little to no added support since the horizontal 4" rail is welded?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 11-Jun-2013 14:15 MDT

1) The stays do not need to be removed.

2) A standard gate closure may be used as long as the entire top of the post is covered.

3) See the answer to question -10-.

4) No.

104 - RED LODGE-8TH-ROBINSON (TIED)

Addendum:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 15:39 MDT

An 2nd Addendum has been posted for this project. Please click on the following link to access the information:

ADDENDUM NO. 2

To download the addendum bid file, click here: **BID FILES**

Addendum:

Submitted: Thu, 06-Jun-2013 15:04 MDT

An Addendum has been posted for this project. Please click on the following link to access the information:

ADDENDUM

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Clarification:

Submitted: Thu, 30-May-2013 16:50 MDT

The linked Special Provision - Carnegie Library Sidewalk Construction [MT 28-2(49)70] is hereby made a part of this contract. **CARNEGIE LIBRARY SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION**

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Clarification:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 11:25 MDT

A bid item for Escrow of Bid Documents will be added by addenda. The following is hereby added to this contract:

Escrow of Bid Documents

Escrow of bid documents under 103.09 is required for this contract.

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Submitted: Wed, 29-May-2013 12:14 MDT

Company: Contech

Contact: Dennis Dirks

Question:

Special provision 49 appears to be specific to twisted wire gabions and mattresses. We have supplied welded wire gabions on other MDT projects and was wondering if there was a reason the special provision doesn't allow either option.

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 03-Jun-2013 14:58 MDT

Welded-wire gabions and mattresses will not be allowed as a substitute.

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Submitted: Thu, 30-May-2013 07:10 MDT
Company: Keystone Retaining Wall Systems
Contact: Dan Tix

Question:

The project plans indicate to use a segmental masonry retaining wall with geosynthetic reinforcement for the MSE Wall. However project special provision section 51, MSE Retaining Wall, allows for segmental masonry, wire wall or precast panel facing. Is the intent to only allow segmental masonry products for the MSE wall to match the specified gravity segmental masonry wall as noted in the plans and special provision 50?

Answer:

Submitted: Thu, 30-May-2013 16:30 MDT

1) The MSE wall is to have a segmental masonry appearance similar or equal to that achieved when utilizing Versa-Lok, Anchor or approved equal in accordance with manufacturer specifications and approved by the Project Manager. The MSE wall appearance shall match that of the project retaining wall at Project Station 35+80.44 to 37+05.69.

2) Contractor may propose alternatives to reinforced masonry blocks for MSE wall construction; depending on method of constructing the wall, use MSE Backfill meeting the following electrochemical requirements:

FOR STEEL REINFORCEMENTS

REQUIREMENTS CRITERIA		TEST METHOD
Resistivity*	>3,000 ohm-cm	
AASHTO T-288		
pH	5-10	
AASHTO T-289		
Chlorides	<100 parts per million	
AASHTO T-291		
Sulfates	<200 parts per million	
AASHTO T-290		
Organic Content	<1%	
AASHTO T-267		

*If the resistivity is greater than or equal to 5000 ohm-cm, the chlorides & sulfates requirements may be waived.

FOR GEOSYNTHETIC REINFORCEMENTS

BASE POLYMER	PROPERTY CRITERIA	TEST METHOD
Polyester (PET)	pH	

Less than 3 pH greater than 9

AASHTO T-289

Polyolefin (PP & HDPE) pH

pH greater than 3

AASHTO T-289

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Submitted: Thu, 30-May-2013 07:29 MDT
Company: Keystone Retaining Wall Systems
Contact: Dan Tix

Question:

The project special provision 51 indicates that the reinforced fill is to meet specific electrochemical properties and soundness requirements. Typically these specifications are only required when using steel reinforcement. Since the project plans indicate to use geosynthetic reinforcement are these electrochemical and soundness requirements noted in the special provision 51 still required of the reinforced fill?

Answer:

Submitted: Thu, 6-Jun-2013 9:38 MDT
Please see the answer to question 2 above.

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Submitted: Thu, 30-May-2013 16:34 MDT
Company: CMG Construction, Inc.
Contact: Bill Oberlander

Question:

Can you make the geopak files available?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 8:23 MDT
The design files for the requested project are posted on the MDT FTP site for your use at: [GEOPAK FILES](#)

The requested files do not represent the staked project, but are only design files. The Department cannot guarantee the accuracy of the electronic data, particularly as it may be called up by your computer, nor does any data in these files supersede the data in the contract documents.

In addition, the Department will not make any revisions to the electronic files pertaining to the staked project, change ordered work, or changes that are made during construction to fit field conditions.

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Submitted: Mon, 03-Jun-2013 12:48 MDT
Company: CMG Construction, Inc.
Contact: Bill Oberlander
Question:

I do not see a specification for the Emuls Asph Treated Base Course. Please note where I am not finding this specification.

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 8:55 MDT

The attached Special Provision - Emulsified Asphalt Treated Base Course (EATBC) is hereby added to this contract.

EMULSIFIED ASPHALT TREATED BASE COURSE (EATBC)

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Submitted: Mon, 03-Jun-2013 16:44 MDT

Company: Mountain West Holding Company

Contact: Cody Cunningham

Question:

Detectible Warning Devices-Type 2 are listed in the schedule of items. However, Detailed Drawing 608-40 states that Type 1 warning devices are to be used for new sidewalk construction. Which type of warning devices will be incorporated into this project?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 13:38 MDT

Updated: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 14:10 MDT

Updated: Fri, 07-Jun-2013 11:08 MDT

Use Type I Detectible Warning Devices.

Plan Sheet 21 can be found at the following link: **REVISED PLAN SHEET 21**

An addenda will be issued for this change.

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Submitted: Mon, 03-Jun-2013 16:47 MDT

Company: Mountain West Holding Company

Contact: Cody Cunningham

Question:

Special Provision 28 calls for the use of bridge deck finishing equipment for the PCCP. Would the use of a bunyan or roller type screed be an acceptable means of finishing?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 7-Jun-2013 8:32 MDT

No, finish the concrete in accordance with the contract.

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Submitted: Tue, 04-Jun-2013 11:57 MDT

Company: Macon Supply

Contact: Chuck Eskro

Question:

On sheet 36 for the Roundabout P.C.C.P Joint Details can you please inform on the angle of the Mountable Curb Joint tie bar.

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 05-Jun-2013 14:20 MDT

The angle is 20 degrees.

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Submitted: Thu, 06-Jun-2013 11:34 MDT

Company: Central Electric, Inc.
Contact: Spencer Walsh
Question:

The standards type 10-A-500-6 indicate to be galvanized from the special provisions, but the decorative light standards are black powder coated. Please confirm that the standard type 10-A-500-6 is to have a galvanized finish.

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 11-Jun-2013 11:23 MDT

The intent is all standards are to be black powder coated. The galvanized language is an error.

Update: Tue, 11-Jun-2013 14:10 MDT

Black powder coating is also required on the luminaire housing, poles, mast arms, bolts, nuts and appurtenant materials associate with each pole.

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Submitted: Thu, 06-Jun-2013 16:34 MDT

Company: CMG Construction, Inc.

Contact: Bill Oberlander

Question:

The sequence of operations requires that each zone be completed up through plant mix surfacing before they are opened to traffic. Considering that the specification is forcing the Contractor to make many construction joints and the contractor is limited to small individual pieces with tight time constraints, this project does not lend itself well for a ride specification. The specifications & drawings require the contractor to install too many joints and median curb tie-ins, etc. to properly manage even a Category III ride result. Please review and consider removing the ride specification from the MT 28-2(49)70 8th-Robinson portion of this project.

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 11-Jun-2013 11:24 MDT

A category III ride is required.

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Submitted: Fri, 07-Jun-2013 07:02 MDT

Company: Olson Communications

Contact: Ed Jones

Question:

Is it MDT's intention to apply a permanent 10% deduction to the Public Relations bid item or does MDT intend to withhold 10% of each partial payment until final completion, or something else?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 07-Jun-2013 10:18 MDT

If the Public Relations requirements are not met a permanent monthly 10% deduct will be applied.

The Department may also withhold 10% of each monthly progress estimate until the requirements are met.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 08:24 MDT
Company: Wilson Bros. Const.
Contact: Nick Wilson, PE
Question:

Special Provision 22.B Sequence of Operations states that "utility installation and storm drain construction may require special traffic control accommodations not indicated by the primary construction phasing shown".
Based on this statement, will it be acceptable to install the entire storm drain system outside the construction phasing requirements as long as temporary paving is installed and maintained in accordance with the specifications?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 11-Jun-2013 13:13 MDT
Bid the project in accordance with the sequence of operations as they are written. The successful bidder may submit a detailed alternate sequence of operations to the Project Manager for approval. Alternate plans will be considered and evaluated in regards to cost, time, impact to the traveling public and property owners, etc.

105 - 2003-SAFETY IMPVT-S WHITEFISH (TIED)

Addendum:

Submitted: Thu, 06-Jun-2013 15:05 MDT
An Addendum has been posted for this project. Please click on the following link to access the information:

[ADDENDUM](#)

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Clarification:

Submitted: Fri, 24-May-2013 15:05 MDT
Special Provision No. 24, RIDE SPECIFICATION CATEGORY (SINGLE) is revised:
The Ride Specification for project
STPU 12099(4) Baker Avenue - Whitefish is hereby rescinded.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 28-May-2013 16:08 MDT
Revised: Thu, 06-Jun-2013 12:10 MDT
The bid item for Finish Grade Control will be deleted by addenda and a bid item for Construction Survey and Layout will be added by addenda. The linked Special Provision - Construction Surveying and Layout - Department Staking is hereby added to this contract. [CONSTRUCTION SURVEYING AND LAYOUT-DEPARTMENT STAKING](#)

The contractor will be responsible for Construction Survey and Layout on both projects included in this contract.

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Submitted: Fri, 17-May-2013 09:31 MDT
Company: Pavement Maintenance Solutions, Inc.
Contact: Chris Rasmussen

Question:

What is the anticipated Notice to Proceed for this project? Will the Chip Seal work for both Phase 1 & Phase 2 be done in 2014?

Answer:

Submitted: Thu, 23-May-2013 8:26 MDT

A notice to proceed date has not been determined at this time. Chip seal work scheduling is dependent upon the contractor's schedule. MDT does not require both projects be chip sealed in 2014, although this is anticipated. Chip seal work must follow all applicable contract provisions.

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Submitted: Mon, 03-Jun-2013 18:06 MDT
Company: Schellinger Construction Co., Inc.
Contact: Marc Blanden

Question:

Will railroad insurance be required for the work on Baker Avenue that is adjacent to the existing roadway bridge over the tracks? If so what monetary amount of work will be associated within 25' of the railroad right of way?

Answer:

Submitted: Thu, 06-Jun-2013 8:31 MDT

Railroad insurance is required for work being performed on railroad property. For this project, BNSF Railway property limits are from approximate Sta. 3+50 to Sta. 13+50 along Baker Ave. Typically, insurance premium levels are based upon work within 50 feet of the tracks. As stated in the Railroad Special Provisions, the estimated cost of work located within 50 feet (15 meters) of the railroad track is \$75,000. In addition, please note EXHIBIT "C" CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS of the Railroad Special Provision, section 1.05 regarding railway flagging. A Railway Flagger will be required when the contractor's work activities are located within twenty five (25) feet measured horizontally from center line of the nearest track and when cranes or similar equipment positioned outside of that 25 feet could foul the track in the event of tip over or other catastrophic occurrence.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 09:49 MDT
Company: Schellinger Construction Co., Inc.
Contact: Marc Blanden

Question:

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 11-Jun-2013 9:10 MDT

Does the Street Excavation and Surfacing Detail on Sheet 18 of the Baker Avenue plans apply to all areas of curb and sidewalk replacement that are shown on Sheets 10-13? **Yes**

Is a 2' asphalt patch required along all curb replacements? **Yes**

Is a 2' asphalt patch required behind the sidewalk in all areas where there is existing asphalt behind the sidewalk?
Yes

106 - 9TH ST N-RIVER DR TO 2ND N-GFLS

Addendum:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 15:39 MDT

An Addendum has been posted for this project. Please click on the following link to access the information:

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Submitted: Thu, 06-Jun-2013 14:12 MDT

Company: HighMark Traffic Services

Contact: Brad Meyer

Question:

The bid item Curb Marking-Yellow Paint looks to be a double application of painting the same curb that gets epoxy.

Is this correct?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 13:30 MDT

The quantity for the Curb Marking-Yellow Paint will be revised by addenda.

Linked is the correct plan sheet. REVISED PLAN SHEET 8

107 - MCS SITES-CIRCLE & FORSYTH

Addendum:

Submitted: Thu, 06-Jun-2013 15:07 MDT

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Submitted: Mon, 20-May-2013 15:25 MDT

Company: Midland Electric & Contracting, Inc.

Contact: Robert Bouley

Question:

1) Quantity sheets indicates (4) Type 3 Pull Boxes, but I could only find (3).

- 2) Quantity sheets indicates 34,675 LF of #6. Shouldn't this be #10 conductor?
- 3) I am assuming that the contractor is going to have to core drill (3) holes through existing scale pit concrete walls for the (2) 2" conduits and (1) 1-1/2" conduit at each MCS site at Forsyth. At Circle it would be (1) 2" hole and (1) 1-1/2" hole.
- 4) One of the empty 2" conduits for scale cables should go direct from scale pit to new control cabinet and not to Type 3 pull box, to avoid induction.

Answer:

Submitted: Wed, 29-May-2013 12:51 MDT

- 1) One (1) Type 3 pull box on sheet E7 for the ~~Forsyth~~ Circle scale behind the proposed cabinet. Three (3) Type 3 pull boxes on sheet E8 for the Circle scale; (2) at the West bound scale & (1) at the East bound scale.
- 2) Correct - the quantity 34,675 applies to AWG 10 conductor as shown in the "Electrical Quantity Summary" on Sheet E1. An addenda will be issued to correct this quantity.
- 3) Yes the conduits will be installed through existing concrete walls. The method of installation meeting codes/regulations is per discretion of the contractor.
- 4) Correct - the empty 2" conduit(s) should run directly between the cabinet and the scale pit as the scale wiring is low voltage and may be susceptible to interference in the pull box. Two sheets for clarification are linked.

[PLAN SHEET E7](#)

[PLAN SHEET E8](#)

108 - SF119-SAFETY ROCKVALE-LAUREL

Clarification:

Submitted: Fri, 24-May-2013 10:45 MDT

Sheet 2 of the plans is replaced. The Table of Contents for the Signing Plans incorrectly showed S1-S3.

There is only one Signing Plan Sheet. [REVISED PLAN SHEET 2](#)

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Submitted: Mon, 20-May-2013 09:38 MDT

Company: Pavement Maintenance Solutions, Inc.

Contact: Chris Rasmussen

Question:

Will MDT be responsible for the payment for Railroad Flaggers?

Answer:

Submitted: Thu, 23-May-2013 8:35 MDT

Yes.

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Submitted: Thu, 30-May-2013 11:18 MDT

Company: Arrow Striping & Mfg

Contact: Dennis McCarthy

Question:

- 1) What is the length and project limits? The project description says 10 miles, the Title sheet of the plans shows 11 miles from Mile Post 42.7-54.3. Special provision 14 shows Mile Post 42.9-52.9.
- 2) RR provisions are in the proposal, there is no work on or above the railroad tracks. The road goes under the RR tracks at about mile post 52.7. Will RR insurance be required?
- 3) Will all the edeline rumble strips be 6' or will they be wider in the one area with the wide shoulder?
- 4) With all the motorcycle traffic on this road will centerline rumble strips be installed in areas where passing is allowed?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 31-May-2013 15:13 MDT

- 1) The project limits are RP 42.7 to RP 54.3. The title sheet of the plans is correct. Special provision 14 is referencing the limits of the reflective elements research which are not the project limits.
- 2) Yes
- 3) All shoulder strips will be 6".
- 4) Yes. Centerline rumble strips are to be installed in areas with passing allowed as well as no passing areas.

109 - 2003-SIGNING/GDRAIL-LINCOLN CO

Submitted: Sat, 08-Jun-2013 10:05 MDT

Company: Mountain West Holding Co

Contact: Chris Connors

Question:

The guardrail summary includes remarks to "Replace guardrail on bridge" as part of the new guardrail item.

There are no details or provisions provided. Is the contractor to replace just the w-beam or does it include posts and all attachment hardware? If it includes the posts, is the same attachment methods to be used?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Jun-2013 13:37 MDT

Replace W-Beam, posts and hardware. Attach the new posts to the bridge using the existing system. Salvage undamaged posts and hardware to the Libby maintenance yard. Coordinate salvage through EPM.